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## GOV. A. W. GILCHRIST'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS

Oath of Office at Noon Tuesday---Brief Sketch of His Life.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Jan. 5 .- Al- in letters, in every and from every bert W. Gilchrist took the oath of of- portion of the State come expressions fice as Governor of Florida today at on numerous subjects. A Governor moon in the presence of a vast throng is fortunate in having obtained these if people, every section of the State various expressions. They manifest, being represented in the immense however, an absolute impossibility of

honor conferred poon him the new the subjects will be touched upon. chief executive said in part:

"The position of Governor imposes the obligation of being true to all the good roads. Everybody should favor people in the State and to all the in- good roads. They would all favor dustries in the State. It requires la- them if they did not cost money. bor, attention and executive ability to | \* \* \* \* manage successfully the affairs of any business of any nature whatever. Much more labor, attention and executive ability is required in the executive some of our people would like for the office of a great and growing State State convicts to be worked on the like ours.

"One might shrink from assuming of the Georgia Legislature the county these obligations if he were not mind- commissioners of some of the Georgia ful of the fact that they were not countles met with the view of determinthrust upon him. It has been said that ing how many State convicts could be fice of Governor was not born to me; great neighboring State. This is due Art. XII of the State constitution, the office of Governor was not thrust to proximity, and among other reaupon me; the office of Governor was sons to the fact that so many of our just wanted by me, and the people good citizens come from Georgia. gave it to me, that's all. Besides, Gov- Some think that in using the convicts ernors of this and other States have on the roads the work will be done assumed these obligations and are for nothing. They forget that in so still alive. There are geutlemen who doing the county loses its part of the would like to assume these obligations, hire of the convicts, and will in adand they still live. It is therefore dition pay its cost of maintenance of a stural for me to think these obliga- the convicts. There is another reat one can be well assumed by myself | son, bumanitarian, which would Resides, the Governor is far from be- operate against the use of longing the whole thing. There will be term convicts in the temporary a sociated with me experienced gentle- camps afforded by the counties. men who have filled various offices. The convict camps are now fitted up Like myself, they have at heart the with iron beds, springs, mattresses, heat interests of the people.

#### A Wise Provision.

"Your attention is invited to the ect that in many States the Goveror is inaugurated coincident with e assembling of the Legislature. is remarks at the inaugural partake rgely of the nature of a message to te Legislature. In our State the contitution provides for the inauguration on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January, being three



HON. ALBERT W. GILCHRIST. Fiorida's New Governor.

anths prior to the convening of the gislature on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in April. This is a as a whole, the death rate of the wise provision, as it gives the Gover- mative white is about 12 per 1,000 and nor an opportunity to become better that of the foreign white about 10 per posted as to his specific recommenda. 1,000 less than that of the colored.

"No one, unless he has been Gover. the prisoners are colored, and that the possibly imagine the great diversity of 13.25 per 1.000 opinions, and the diversity of subjects on which these diversified spin-

anyone carrying out the many diverg-After thanking the people for the ent views expressed. But a few of

#### Good Roads and Convicts.

"Many are specially interested in

"While speaking on the subject of roads, it might be well to refer to the convict question. You know that roads. On account of recent action blankets, pillows and sheets, baths and sanitary arrangements, and comfortable houses. Hon. B. E. McLin. commissioner of agriculture, has kindly furnished me the following information: The number of State prisoners handled during the year 1907 was 1,736. The number of women handled during the year was 43. Of this numthree white women for both the years 1907-S. They are at the headquarters' hospital, two being at Quincy and one at Ocala. The report about white women State convicts being sent out 1907 there were 29 deaths. Of these cope; one was killed by a falling wall; twenty-three died natural deaths. It causes. most cases, the prisoners what it is in some insurance companies, in which, of course, they pick account will require from the course. their members. U. S. Census for 1907 vol. 3, p. 56, registration as a 1 S., being that part in which the eta tistles are based upon registration records, the death rate is 17% per-1,090. The registration area embraces the New England States, New York. New Jersey, Michigan and the District of Columbia. In the registration area,

Female and Infirm Convicts.

the counties in building roads, there would be no such small death rate. Humanity would prevent long term convicts from being used permanently in temporary camps. The commissioner of Agriculture invites attention to the fact that we stand solitary and alone in leasing women, black and white, for a monied consideration, and that we again stand alone among the States in leasing the aged, the decrept and the young. The commissioner recommends that some provision be made for the detention of the women and the infirm on some farm owned by the State. It is to be hoped that his recommendation may sooner or later prevail. Attention is invited more particularly to the convict question, because it is liable to be a subject of legislative action at the coming session, \*\*\*\*

"In our courts, the technicalities of due process of law' often prevail over the justice and real merits of the case at issue.

#### Drainage and Schools.

"Much has been said about the State being 'in honor bound' to drain the Everglades. Florida received these lands under the act of Congress, by which other States received theirs. Our neighboring State of Alabama gave hers to her insane asylum. Iowa cold hers. It is unknown to me if the officers of any other State have taken the position of 'in honor bound.' The matter of the drainage of the lands of the State is simply a business proposome men are born great, some used by their respective counties in sition, to be executed as the condiachieve greatness, and some have building good roads. Our State is very tions warrant. In this connection. greatness thrust upon them. The of responsive to any action taken by our there should be considered section 4.



HON. W. M. HOLLOWAY, ber of women prisoners there are State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

cent of the sales of all public land, to the free schools. Then the constlindiscriminately with negro prisoners hereafter owned by the State, shall assess less than three or more than is therefore a mistake. Of the total constitute a part of the State school seven mills for free schools. This was number of prisoners handled during fund, the interest of which shall be limited to five mills, until an amendfive were killed in attempting to es. and maintenance of public free seven. It also provides for school 

on account of the condied from the effect of diseases con vision of 25 per cent on all . . . of long-dem there is the net process tracted prior to entering the State public lands. This is the first and or ill fines editated under the peral prison. This death rate is less than last parment on such account. How laws of the State, and the

Comparison With Other Elaton. "With the inconveniences neces creases for 1930 the fillipracy was bandful govern the teeming millions ------

## COUNCIL TAKES ACTION ON RAILROAD GRADE

### Mayor Davis Instructed to Have Ordinance Complied With---Monthly Bills Paid.

monthly session on Monday night, & Oliver, \$17.04; John Chesnut, \$18.41; President Shands, Aldermen Broome, J. M. Haile, \$50; Gainesville Hard-Clerk Dell in attendance.

were read and approved.

lected for December, while Collector B. T. Arnow, \$60; H. L. Owens, \$50; Ellis reported water rents of \$48.20; J. M. Deil, \$40; W. S. Broome, \$75; axes, \$528.63; licenses, \$81.

paid: Fire fund-Gainesville Gas and B. T. Arnow, \$9.75. Printing fund: Electric Power Company, \$7.38; G. W. The Sun, \$29.50, Blake, \$1.25; J. A. Naftzgar, \$4; J. E. Moyers, \$45; W. A. Jernigan, \$40; clerk see the liverymen of the city Davis & Oliver, 20 cents; Hose Com- and get their correct bids for running pany No. 1, \$20.75; Hose Company No. 2, \$13.50; Baird Hardware Co., \$25.77; gave hers to her countles, California E. A. O'Neill, \$2.40. Cemetery fund: which was adopted Mrs. H. H. McCreary, \$35. Water works fund: T. B. Ellis, 96 cents; mayor be instructed to force the A. Glouber Brass Works, \$87.68; B. E. C. L. railway to put their roadbed on Tallant, \$3; Baird Hardware Co., grade established by the city and com-\$41.63; Gainesville Tie Co., \$49.26; B. ply with the ordinance; which was F. Miller, \$180; L. C. Gracey, \$50; carried. Ned Williams, \$13; Gamesvine Hard- East Main street was also discussed ware Co., \$32.07; Lynch & Co., \$33.60; as to opening same up to Arlington. J. E. Pultz, \$108.55; Daily Sun, \$8.25, and it was finally decided that the Light fund: Gainesville Gas and Elec- street committee ascertain the cost ric Power Co., \$243.50. Street fund: and report to the council. C. M. Dell, \$50; J. B. Dell, Jr., \$25; The meeting adjourned until next C. A. Colclough, \$8; A. W. Taylor, Friday night, Jan. 8, at 7:30 o'clock.

The City Council met in regular 1 \$53; Mrs. Lois Tucker, \$39.02; Davis Burnett, Cannon, Graves, Vidal, and ware Co., \$28; R. W. Small, \$13; Benson & Son, \$5.75; C. M. Dell, assignee, Minutes of the December meeting \$57.50; J. M. Dell, assignee, \$112. Street fund: Kelley Springfield Road Marshal Arnow reported \$161.75 col- Roller Co., \$1,131.20. Officers' fund: Alachua County Abstract Co., \$10: The following bills were ordered T. B. Ellis, \$100. Contingent fund:

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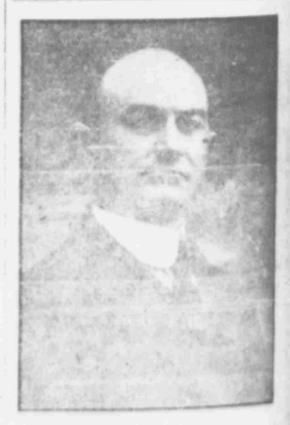
barea, 14 8; Mississippi, 8.0; Louisiana. 1.3. The percestage of the illiteracy for the negro populations for 1990 the foliaring extract from a hiter reshows favorably also for Florida 38.4 per cent; for Georgia, 52.4 per cent; South Carolina, 52.8; North Carolina. 17.6; Virginia, 44.6; Alabama, 57.4; toother in the days of slavers, 209. Masissippi, 49.1; Louisiana, 61.4. There is no State in the Union in chich more money, in proportion to he taxable property, is collected for school purposes than in our State. There is the one-mill tax for the publie schools, the State appropriation and enjoy the high hope of seeing you for the higher institutions of learning, when you take your seat at Tallahasand the State appropriation for the high schools. Then there is the one were running for Governor of the which provides that twenty-five per dollar capitation tax, all of which goes now owned by the State or may be tution provides that no county shall exclusively applied to the support of ment to the constitution raised at to schools. \* \* \* \* " . State superin- sub-districts, in which a special tendent, Hon, W. M. Holloway, in- lay of not more than three thus appears that 1.32 per cent or the school found in . 1400 tie, these school and districts countries Pto he attra reputer, by middly in to it

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White Race Will Rule. for 1890 St.s; for 1990, 21 to The We have, as in other States, compares favorably with the percent, two races, the white and the use of Bliteracy in the following colored. Wherever thrown to any tasking that to give Southern States for 1960 In Claretta, cumber with other races. the A a Then consider that a large per cent of Jan South Carolina Sho, North Caros white race rules. A break I of be ling, 28.7; Virginia, C. V. Alabarta, our fore-fathers though that it was best and a confict we the nor or has been elected Governor, can death rate from natural causes is only Machelpol. 220: Louisiana right to rule the country, when their years are for was Governor of where your, lit was owned by the noble red man the wint Minte lation in Florida shows a great de A handful govern South Africa. A cated your came fearleasly through

6.6 per cent. This compares favor- ern this country. While governing it bly with the illiterate native white we are under obligations to tote fair' opulation of the above mentioned and to be just. In our State the rela-States; for the year 1900 Georgia, tionship between the two races is, 1.9; South Carolina, 13.6; North harmonious. It is to be hoped that it Carolina, 19.5; Virginia, 14.4; Ala- will continue. There is a cement of India - s barween the two races of the engy to hard ember took from antly received by myneff: When I dl i - th .. my faith r and mother were the player of your taber and in readily see why I take the lingity f addressing this bumble out the to on. For there is a tie, unseem and magre 164, between the master and he sinve that death only can sever. ty father pud mother are still alive. see. From the time they heard you State of Florida they prayed for you.



HON. ROYAL C. DUNN. The Newly-Elected Railroad Commis-